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SUBJECT: LETELIER/MOFFITT ASSASSINATION INVESTIGATION

REF: TELCON LANDAU/SCHERRER/PROPPER MARCH 17

1. ON MARCH 16, LEGAL ATTACHE SCHERRER HAD LENGTHY TALKS WITH CNI DIRECTOR MENA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR PANTEJA, GOC LEGAL ADVISOR SCHWEITZER AND INTERIOR MINISTRY UNDER SECRETARY MONTERO. IN REVIEWING HIS TALKS, WE HAVE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT MR. PROPPER AND FBI CASE AGENT CORNICK SHOULD COME TO SANTIAGO IMMEDIATELY, AS THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CRITICAL ON-THE-SPOT USG LEGAL DECISIONS TO BE MADE AND INTERVIEWS TO BE CONDUCTED. LEGAL ATTACHE SCHERRER IS SENDING THE SAME REQUEST THROUGH HIS CHANNELS TO FBI HEAD-QUARTERS. CNI ALSO BELIEVES THAT PROPPER PRESENCE VERY IMPORTANT AT THIS MOMENT.

2. FYI. AS MATTERS NOW STAND, SCHERRER HAS IDENTIFIED, AND CNI HAS AGREED, THAT TWO INDIVIDUALS WHOSE PHOTOS WE HAVE ARE TOWNLEY AND FERNANDEZ AND CNI HAS GIVEN
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SCHERRER THE NAMES OF THE OTHER TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO ACTUALLY TRAVELLED FROM SANTIAGO ON THE CHILEAN WILLIAMS AND ROMERAL PASSPORTS. WE WANT TO INTERVIEW TOWNLEY AND FERNANDEZ AS WELL AS THE OTHER TWO INDIVIDUALS AND THERE ARE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS REGARDING THE LETTERS ROGATORY WHICH ONLY MR. PROPPER CAN DECIDE. IT SHOULD BE NOTED, HOWEVER, THE GOC SAYS IT HAS NOT YET

LOCATED TOWNLEY. END FYI.

3. ONCE WE KNOW WHEN PROPPER AND CORNICK WILL COME, WE
WILL INFORM CNI, BUT DO NOT PLAN TO MAKE ANY OTHER
ANNOUNCEMENT. HOWEVER, SHOULD TRIP BECOME KNOWN IN THE
U.S. PRIOR TO OR AT THEIR DEPARTURE, WE BELIEVE WE
SHOULD LET OUR LAWYER INFORM THE COURTS OF PROPPER'S
ARRIVAL, WHICH WOULD THEN BECOME KNOWN PUBLICALLY.
IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO ANNOUNCE PROPPER'S VISIT TO
CHILE AT THE TIME OF HIS DEPARTURE BUT WE REALIZE THAT
THIS MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE.

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